

# The Greater Miami Valley myVeteran Community

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# GMV my Veteran Agenda

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- What is a MyVeteran Community
- MyVeteran Community Charter
- MyVeteran Community Members
- ❖ VetsLink Update
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- Vets Moving Forward Update
- Discussion

## What is a MyVeteran Community

**MyVeteran Communities** bring together local Veterans service providers, resources, advocates, and other stakeholders to improve outcomes for Veterans, Service members, and their families.



VA may be the catalyst for community movements, but each community owns and leads the effort.

### What does a MyVeteran Community do?

A MyVeteran Community drives a shared understanding among stakeholders of the complex challenges that Veterans and transitioning Service Members face and leverages its collective strengths to improve the Veteran experience.





# GMV my Veteran Community Charter

- Mission: Improve support to Veterans, Service Members and their families by connecting regional Veterans service providers, resources, advocates and other stakeholders.
- Vision: National Leader in Serving Veterans



### GMV my Veteran Community Charter

- Identify and highlight/advertise resources available to Veterans and their Families.
  - Assist United Way of Greater Dayton with VetsLink to connect Veterans with resources
  - \* Regularly meet with Veteran Service Organizations
- \* Identify & facilitate forums where service providers can connect to improve outcomes
  - Work with Ohio National Guard to build <u>Regional Inter-Service</u> Family Assistance <u>Committees</u>.
  - Promote information sharing between service providers
- \* Facilitate feedback mechanisms for Veterans
  - ❖ Host listening sessions to gather Veterans' needs



# GMY My Yeteran Community Members

Senator Portman's Office

Governor's Office Lt Governor's Office

Representative Rick Perales

**WPAFB** 

**Ohio National Guard** 

Ohio Department of Veterans Services

Veterans Administration Medical Center

Veterans Administration National Cemetery

Veterans Experience Office

Montgomery County Veterans Services

**Greene County Veterans Services** 

Allen County Veterans Services

Auglaize County Veterans Services

**Butler County Veterans Services** 

Champaign County Veterans Services

Clark County Veterans Services

Clinton County Veterans Services

Darke County Veterans Services

Hardin County Veterans Services

Logan County Veterans Services

Mercer County Veterans Services

Miami County Veterans Services

**Preble County Veterans Services** 

**Putnam County Veterans Services** 

**Shelby County Veterans Services** 

Warren County Veterans Services

Wayne County Veterans Services

**Projects Unlimited** 

**GE** Aviation

**Dayton Development Coalition** 

LexisNexis

**Kettering Foundation** 

Vietnam Veterans Association

Dayton VAMC Veterans Advisory Council

Paralyzed Veterans of America

**Veteran Owned Business** 

**Omega Baptist** 

United Way of the Greater Dayton Area

Goodwill Easter Seals of the Miami Valley

Miami Valley Human Resources Association

**Operation Pathfinder** 

Military-Transition.org/

Community Support Coordinator, Ohio, West Virginia

Disabled American Veterans

US Veterans Motorcycle Club Resurrecting Lives Foundation

Habitat for Humanity

Honor Flight

Red Cross

St Vincent de Paul

Wounded Warrior Project

Reynolds and Reynolds

Because You Served

Dayten Metro Library

Extreme Focus

BLE and Legal Aid of Western Ohio

Blue Skies for the Good Guys

G Bucks

SOCHE

Wright State

Sinclair

Clark State



# YetsLink Update



# Alzheimer's Military Task Force

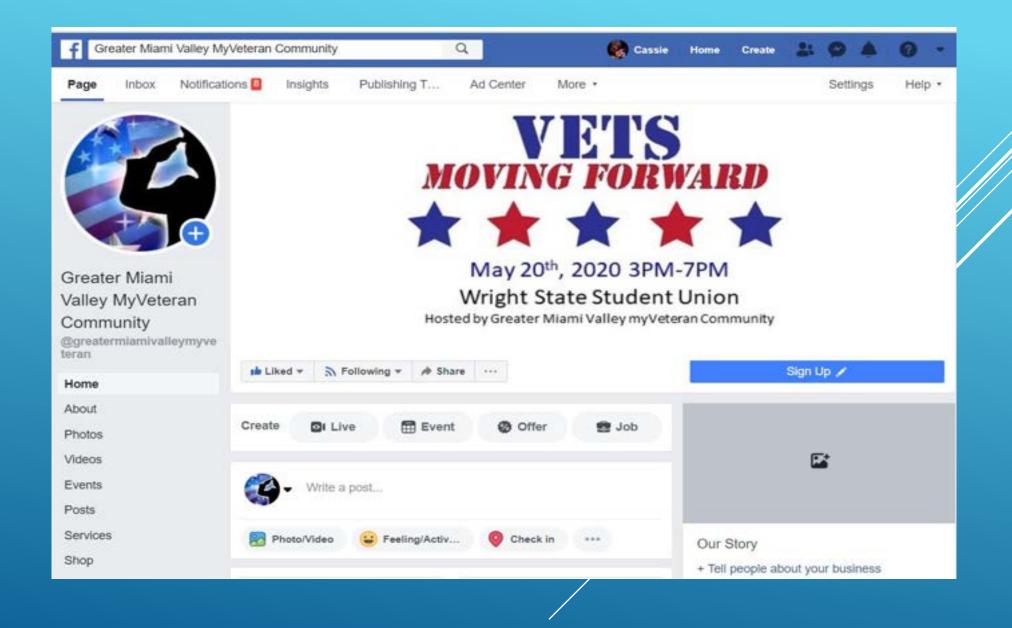
- Mission: Build sustainable relationships between Miami Valley Alzheimer's Association, WPAFB, and Dayton VAMC
- Why: 180K Vets in region; 60% higher risk of dementia based on PTSD and TBI
- Won WPCU Sunshine Community Fund Grant
- Built Strategic Plan focused on:
  - Educating/Training military and veteran community on demential services
  - Marketing dementia services available

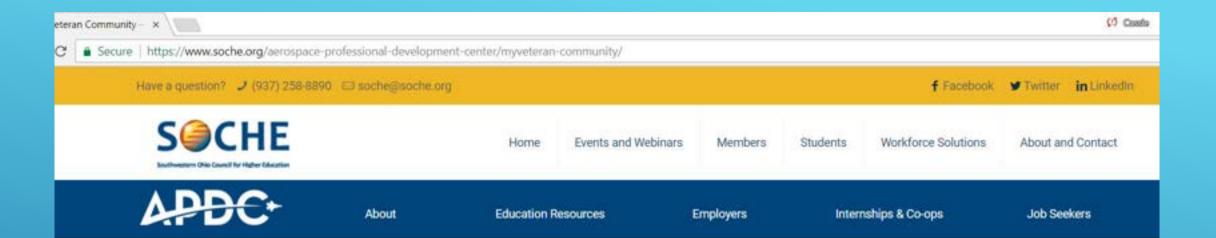
<u>Video</u> developed for VA and WPAFÉ to get word out on resources.



## Vets Moving Forward

- Objective:
  - Bring together Veterans and Veteran Service Providers from across our region once a year to network, and ensure Veterans awareness of regional assets.
- Where and When: 20 May 2020 (3-7) WSU Student Union
- Goal:
  - Over 300 Veteras
  - 75 Veteran Services Organizations/64 Companies seeking work orce
- Details:
  - Honor Guard/Felita LaRock and opening from Rep Perales, VA, ODVS
  - Food Panera Bagels/WSU/\_\_\_\_\_
  - Radio Ads
  - Live Radio
  - Sponsors (BBB, Panera; VA; WSU Hospitality Sérvicés; Red Cross; Starbucks; DBJ; RTA, WHIO, K99.1 Soft Rock 92.9; Fresh Thyme; Skyline Chili; Green CATS)









Veterans, and stakeholders to have a voice in identifying their community goals and work to improve service delivery for Veterans, Service members, and their families.

### MyVA Community Objectives

www.ebenefits.va.gov

To bring together local resources and advocates to improve outcomes for Veterans, transitioning Service members, and their families.

To enable Veterans to easily identify and reach resources available to them, voice their opinions, and provide valuable input.

To resolve concerns at the local level and improve service delivery methods.

www.va.gov/icbc

### CONNECT WITH US

Contact Us

Office of Interagency Care and Benefits Coordination 810 Vermont Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20420

Federal Recovery Coordination

### QUICK LINKS

National Resource Directory (NRD)

Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)

Veterans Crisis Line of

VA Caregiver Support

eBenefits

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